NOVEL QUANTIFICATION STRATEGIES USING SPINNING SAMPLING CHAMBER LASER ABLATION INDUCTIVELY COUPLED PLASMA MASS SPECTROMETRY

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Images

Fixed laser beam Multielemental Sample spiked Ablation standard with with natural Gd circle enriched 157Gd Off-axis alignment Ablated Standard Ablated Sample

increases with circle diameter

Applications

Application
LA-ICPMS is often the choice in trace element analysis for geological, archeological, environmental and biological studies.

Motor axis

Advantages

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For certain sample types, the spinning cell for LA-ICPMS spectroscopy makes the methods of standard additions and isotope dilution more convenient and less time consuming for chemical analysis. The samples have greater homogeneity compared to other methods, only a single reusable standard needs to be prepared, and calibration time is reduced.

Spinning LA-CPMS

The invention is method for sample preparation and measurement of trace amounts of chemical elements and isotopes by a spectroscopic technology known as Laser Ablation Inductively Coupled Plasma Mass Spectrometry (LA-ICPMS). The method uses a spinning platform containing both a known standard and an unknown sample. The known standards are all characterized as "Standard Reference Materials" obtainable from NIST. Both sample and standards are vaporized (ablated) in the ablation chamber by a laser, producing a mixed aero-sos) for analysis in the remainder of the apparatus. By translating the spinning table relative to the laser source, the quasi-simultaneous ablation of different amounts of standard addition and isotope dilution.

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